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Title: THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC TOOLS FOR IMPAIRED
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Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated November 18, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1, 2, 4, and 12-15 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for one month, to and including March 18, 2004.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$165.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) for this Notice of Appeal.

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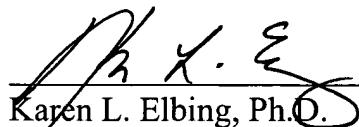
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